

# COMMONWEALTH of VIRGINIA Department for the Aging

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Executive Directors

Area Agencies on Aging

**FROM:** Ellen Nau, Human Services Program Coordinator

**DATE:** July 13, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Update – Ronald Reagan Alzheimer's Breakthrough Act

This legislation introduced by Senators Barbara Mikulski (MD) and Kit Bond (MO) can now be read at <a href="http://www.senate.gov/">http://www.senate.gov/</a>. Enter Bill Number S. 2533 to locate the legislation. As of July 12, 2004, 62 United States Senators, including Senators George Allen and John Warner of Virginia, are listed as co-sponsors of the legislation. The legislation proposes to double funding for Alzheimer's Research, double funding for the National Family Caregiver Support Program and launch an education campaign to inform the public about advances in Alzheimer's disease research. The legislation was also proposed in the United States House of Representatives, Bill Number HR. 4595.

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**SUBJECT:** AARP/National Alliance for Caregiving

A new study, <u>Caregiving in the U.S.</u>, sponsored by AARP and the National Alliance for Caregiving, reveals information on caregivers in the United States. The average caregiver is a woman in her mid-forties caring for her mother. However, almost forty per cent of caregivers are men. The biggest challenge for caregivers is finding enough time for their jobs and families in addition to their caregiving duties.

Not surprisingly, the physical and emotional toll on caregivers is immense. The AARP study notes that most caregivers turn to prayer to help them through the stress of balancing caregiving and their daily life routine. For the complete national study and a detailed study of caregiving in Virginia, consult the AARP website at <a href="http://research.aarp.org">http://research.aarp.org</a>.

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** AAA Directors

**FROM:** Bill Peterson

**DATE:** July 13, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Baby Boomers and Civic Engagement

The Harvard School of Public Health and the MetLife Foundation have produced a new report titled *Reinventing Aging: Baby Boomers and Civic Engagement*. The report highlights key issues that must be addressed if communities are to involve large numbers of baby boomers in volunteer activities as they retire. There are roughly 77 million boomers (born between 1946 and 1964) with the oldest reaching age 65 in the year 2011 (including yours truly!). Boomers have the potential for becoming a social resource of immense proportions if they decide to actively participate in the civic and charitable life of their communities. But will they? Compared to their parents (Tom Brokaw's "Greatest Generation"), boomers have been less involved in civic engagement including voting and joining community groups (see *Bowling Alone: The Collapse and Revival of American Community* by Robert D. Putnam).

The message of this report is that communities have an opportunity to help boomers create a legacy of civic involvement and volunteerism. This can represent a wonderful resource for AAAs. The report is available on-line at <a href="http://www.reinventingaging.org/">http://www.reinventingaging.org/</a>

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Executive Directors Area

Agencies on Aging

**FROM:** Kevin F. Byrnes, AICP

Aging Demographer

**DATE:** July 13, 2004

**SUBJECT:** FY 2003 Demographic Summary of AAA Clients

VDA has prepared a comparative demographic profile summary report on the clients served by the aging service network in Virginia for FY 2003. Due to the size of the pdf file for this report, only the Table of Contents and Introductory sections are included below. The full report can be found on and downloaded from the VDA web site by using this link. (Download Report)

FY 2002-2003 Demographic Characteristics Summary of Clients Served by the Virginia Aging Network

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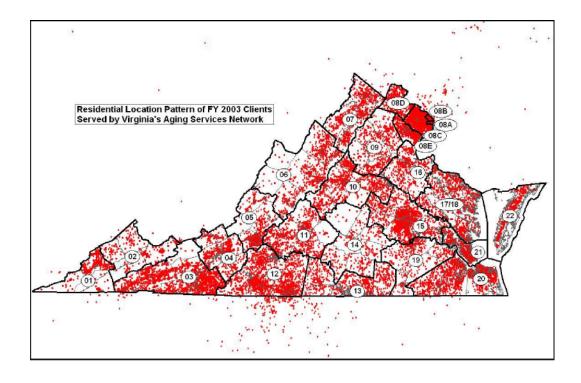
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#### **Introduction and Methodological Notes**

The analyses contained herein are derived from a database query applied to the AIM database to find all unduplicated clients which received at least one unit of service between October 1, 2002 and September 30, 2003 (FY 2003). The resulting selected 63,703 records from the client table were exported from AIM and imported to the department's geographic information system (GIS) program, Maptitude, where a number of data cleaning operations were performed to eliminate misspellings and otherwise standardize responses. Mapping coordinates (i.e. latitude and longitude) were assigned to each client record with usable address information. In the absence of a complete street address, the client's given zip code or reported city or county of residence was used to assign location coordinates so that the client's local AAA service provider could be determined. Of the total 63,703 client records for all clients, 97.1 percent (61,850 clients) were located within or out of state (see Figure 1), with in-state locations assigned to a local AAA service area (see Figure 2). Many out-of-state clients were located as well using the GIS program's national addressing database.

In order to produce the various demographic cross-tabulation profiles of the client population, the database was exported from Maptitude as an Excel file and imported to JMP, a statistical software program to produce many of the cross-tabulation tables in this report. The final publication tables were formatted using Microsoft Excel and pasted into this Microsoft Word document.



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**TO:** Executive Directors

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**FROM:** Tim M. Catherman

Deputy Commissioner, Support Services

**DATE:** July 13, 2004

**SUBJECT:** Virginia Aging and AoA in the News

Below are Virginia Aging or AoA related articles that have occurred since last week's Tuesday E-mailing. These links do not require a paid service; however, some (like the Washington Post, etc.) ask a brief survey or registration. Please note some links are time sensitive and can change daily.

If you are aware of articles that I am missing, please e-mail me a link for inclusion next week.

#### **VDA In the News**

HHS Awards \$6.78 Million to Expand Alzheimer's Disease ...

U.S. Newswire (press release) - Washington, DC, USA

... Tennessee, Vermont, Virginia, and Wisconsin. The program is administered by HHS' Administration on Aging (AoA). It focuses on serving ... <a href="http://releases.usnewswire.com/GetRelease.asp?id=148-07082004">http://releases.usnewswire.com/GetRelease.asp?id=148-07082004</a>>

#### Virginia AAAs and VDA In the News

#### **DRIVEN** to lend a hand

Hampton Roads Daily Press - Newport, VA, USA

... Then she met a woman who volunteered at the Virginia Living Museum ... About two years ago, a representative from the Peninsula Agency on Aging's MedTran program ...

#### **HELPING Hands**

Winchester Star - Winchester, VA, USA

... involved with the Guiding Eyes program, visit the ... The Arc of Northern Shenandoah Valley's general ... with Dominion Virginia Power, the Virginia Department of ...

SIBLINGS made it through faith and hard work Roanoke Times - Roanoke, VA, USA

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... Trips, ongoing programs and new program - Introduction to ... The Funeral Consumers Alliance of the Virginia Blue Ridge ... New River Valley Agency on Aging: Assistance ... <a href="http://www.roanoke.com/roatimes/news/story169324.html">http://www.roanoke.com/roatimes/news/story169324.html</a>

#### **AoA News From Around the Nation**

MEALS on Wheels desperate for drivers Charlotte Sun-Herald - Charlotte,FL,USA

... By 2030, according to the United States Census Bureau and Administration on Aging, that number is expected to double to almost 70 million people, or about 20 ... <a href="http://www.sun-herald.com/NewsArchive2/071104/tp11np3.htm?date=071104&story=tp11np3.htm">http://www.sun-herald.com/NewsArchive2/071104/tp11np3.htm?date=071104&story=tp11np3.htm</a>

#### US: HHS Announces New Collaborative Enrollment Initiative to Help ...

TheMatureMarket.com - World

... And HHS' Administration on Aging (AoA) and Indian Health Service (IHS) are reaching out to their constituencies to make sure they sign up for the program. ...

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**SUBJECT:** Kinship Care, Inter-Generational Programs – Virginia Health Department

Injury Prevention Program Grants

Please find attached application forms for Injury Prevention Program grants. These comprehensive unintentional injury prevention grants target the top risk areas that kill or injure children each year and are sponsored by The Center for Injury & Violence Prevention and administered on the state level by the Virginia Department of Health. Organizations may apply for up to \$2500 in funding. The deadline for applications is August 13, 2004. For further information, contact Rhonda Keith, Injury Prevention Specialist at the Center for Injury & Violence Prevention, Virginia Department of Health. <a href="mailto:rhonda.keith@vdh.virginia.gov">rhonda.keith@vdh.virginia.gov</a> or 804-864.7734.

### **INJURY PREVENTION PROGRAMS**

Projects to develop and/or implement programs to prevent unintentional childhood injuries and deaths in Virginia

### 2004-2005 GRANT APPLICATION

Applicant: Please briefly address each question in your application. Please fax or mail application to Rhonda Keith, Virginia Department of Health. Fax number: 804.864.7748.

## All questions on the applications must be answered completely. *Deadline for applications is August 13, 2004.*

- 1. Identify the following:
  - Organization to receive the grant award
  - Contact person and contact information (address, phone, fax, and e-mail)
- 2. Describe the reasons your organization should be selected to receive this funding (include need and benefits to the organization/community).
- 3. Describe your organization's implementation of past or current injury prevention and/or education programs and the success of implementing other programs. What type of programs does your organization have in place to educate the community in injury prevention?
- 4. Provide information on your target demographic:
  - Describe your at-risk population
  - Size of your service area and demographic information

#### If possible, also provide:

- Data to support this injury area as an area of need in the target audience
- 5. What facilities, resources, staff, and volunteers are currently available to implement the program?
- 6. Describe proposed staffing (paid staff and/or volunteers) by task, current job description, and estimated percentage of time to be allocated to the program.
- 7. Provide a detailed description (who, what, when, where and how) of the specific activities that would be undertaken to achieve each component of the program for which your are applying.
- 8. Describe how your organization would collaborate with other community agencies and organizations.
- 9. Describe how you would publicize and promote your program.
- 10. Provide a budget to include a detailed description/justification of anticipated expenditures.

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### **GRANT OPPORTUNITY**

**Program Description:** The Center for Injury & Violence Prevention will offer comprehensive unintentional injury prevention grants. Organizations may apply for funding in specific or multiple injury issues targeting the top risk areas that kill or injure children each year: burn prevention, poisoning, falls, firearm safe storage, choking/suffocation/strangulation, bicycle and helmet safety, child passenger safety, pedestrian, playground safety, water safety, dog bite prevention and/or school based injury prevention projects (including *Risk Watch*®). This program is coordinated and delivered at the state level by the Virginia Department of Health.

#### Who is eligible?

Schools, fire departments, law enforcement agencies, PTA/PTOs, EMS agencies, SAFE KIDS coalitions, community-based organizations, public health departments, and other organizations interested in childhood injury prevention may apply.

**Purpose of Program:** To reduce unintentional injuries and deaths to children in Virginia.

**Local Organizations Receive:** For the project period from October 1, 2004 through May 31, 2005 (*Note: special project timelines may be granted for summer projects like summer camps, etc.*), each organization may apply for up to \$2,500 for funding. In addition to funding, grant recipients may receive: curriculum appropriate for the age group(s) being addressed; a Teacher's Safety Kit, gun locks, smoke alarms and/or other resources; and technical assistance throughout the entire process from application to successful implementation. CPS grants are limited to \$500 max. for community safety seat checks; funding may only be used to purchase child safety seats and booster seats.

**Participant Requirements:** Each participating organization will:

- Develop an innovative public information and education program addressing the selected injury topic(s)
- Submit a budget proposal
- Assign a program coordinator
- Create a community collaborative approach to the program
- Provide progress reports, financial status reports, and final reports

**Evaluation of applications:** Each application will be evaluated on:

- Demographic information
- Need for program
- Benefits of developing and implementing the program
- Implementation of past or current prevention programs
- Resources available (including staffing or proposed staffing)
- Proposed program implementation plan
- Ability to collaborate with community organizations
- Current activities
- Ability to publicize and promote the program

For more information, please contact:

#### Rhonda Keith

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Electronic version available at : http://www.vahealth.org/civp/fundcivp.asp

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#### **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Executive Directors

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**FROM:** E. Janet Riddick

**DATE:** July 13, 2004

**SUBJECT: 2004 ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES (APS) ACT** 

The 2004 General Assembly passed, and Governor Warner signed into law, changes to the Adult Protective Services Act. The most substantial change to the Act is to identify additional mandated reporters of suspected adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation. **This is not a substantive change for AAAs. AAA staff remain mandated reporters**. The language in the Act however, has been broadened to:

Any person employed by *or contracted with* a public or private agency or facility and working with adults *in an administrative, supportive or direct care capacity*.

An additional new provision of the Act requires that employees be notified—

An employer of a mandated reporter shall not prohibit a mandated reporter from reporting directly to the local department or to the adult protective services hotline. Employers whose employees are mandated reporters shall notify employees upon hiring of the requirement to report.

#### MANDATED REPORTERS FOR ADULT PROTECTIVE SERVICES

Code of Virginia, § 63.2-1606(A) - Effective July 1, 2004

• Any person licensed, certified, or registered by health regulatory boards listed in § 54.1-2503, except persons licensed by the Board of Veterinary Medicine:

**Board of Nursing:** Registered Nurse (RN); Licensed Nurse Practitioner (LNP); Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN); Clinical Nurse Specialist; Certified Massage Therapist; Certified Nurse Aide (CNA)

**Board of Medicine:** Doctor of Medicine and Surgery, Doctor of Osteopathic Medicine; Doctor of Podiatry; Doctor of Chiropractic; Interns and Residents; University Limited Licensee; Physician Assistant; Respiratory Therapist; Occupational Therapist; Radiological Technologist; Radiological Technologist Limited; Licensed Acupuncturists; Certified Athletic Trainers

**Board of Pharmacy:** Pharmacists; Pharmacy Interns; Permitted Physicians; Medical Equipment Suppliers; Restricted Manufacturers; Humane Societies; Physicians Selling Drugs; Wholesale Distributors; Warehousers, Pharmacy Technicians

**Board of Dentistry:** Dentists and Dental Hygienists Holding a License, Certification, or Permit Issued by the Board

**Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers:** Funeral Establishments; Funeral Services Providers; Funeral Directors; Funeral Embalmers; Resident Trainees; Crematories; Surface Transportation and Removal Services; Courtesy Card Holders

**Board of Optometry:** Optometrist

**Board of Counseling:** Licensed Professional Counselors; Certified Substance Abuse Counselors; Certified Substance Abuse Counseling Assistants; Certified Rehabilitation Providers; Marriage and Family Therapists; Licensed Substance Abuse Treatment Practitioners

**Board of Psychology:** School Psychologist; Clinical Psychologist; Applied Psychologist; Sex Offender Treatment Provider; School Psychologist - Limited

**Board of Social Work:** Registered Social Worker; Associate Social Worker; Licensed Social Worker; Licensed Clinical Social Worker

**Board of Nursing Home Administrators:** Nursing Home Administrator

**Board of Audiology and Speech Pathology:** Audiologists; Speech-Language Pathologists; School Speech-language Pathologists

**Board of Physical Therapy:** Physical Therapist; Physical Therapist Assistant

- Any mental health services provider as defined in § 54.1-2400.1;
- Any emergency medical services personnel certified by the Board of Health pursuant to § 32.1-111.5;
- Any guardian or conservator of an adult;
- Any person employed by or contracted with a public or private agency or facility and working with adults in an administrative, supportive or direct care capacity;
- Any person providing full, intermittent, or occasional care to an adult for compensation, including but not limited to companion, chore, homemaker, and personal care workers; and
- Any law-enforcement officer.

Attached are two sheets which you may use in your agency: 1)a fact sheet on mandated reporters for APS, and 2)an Acknowledgement of Mandated Reporter Status form. If your agency chooses to use the acknowledgement form, the completed form should be kept on file in your agency.

The full text of the Act may be viewed at <a href="http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?041+ful+CHAP1011">http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?041+ful+CHAP1011</a>. Additionally, a web-based training course and other educational materials are available on the Virginia Department of Social Services' website at <a href="http://www.dss.state.va.us/family/adultprotect.html">http://www.dss.state.va.us/family/adultprotect.html</a>.

Attachments (2)



### Virginia Department of Social Services Adult Protective Services Program 7 North Eighth Street, 4<sup>th</sup> floor Richmond, VA 23219 Telephone: 804-726-7533

#### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF MANDATED REPORTER STATUS

I,	, understand that when I am employed as a
(Employee Name)	<u> </u>
	, I am a mandated reporter pursuant to the
made to Virginia Adult Protective Services (A appropriate local department of social service 60 or over or an incapacitated adult aged 18 a	D. This means that I am required to report or cause a report to be APS) either by calling the APS Hotline (1-888-83-ADULT) or the es whenever I have reasonable cause to suspect that an adult aged and over and who is known to me in my professional or official ted. I understand that I must follow the reporting protocol, if any, rohibit me from reporting directly to APS.
<u> </u>	ult aged 60 or over or an incapacitated adult aged 18 and over rt the death to the medical examiner and the law enforcement arred.
	criminal liability on account of any reports, information, testimony good faith and without malicious intent. My identity will be held or disclosure is ordered by the court.
suspicion, I may be subject to a civil money p of Social Services. If I am a law-enforcemen that I will be referred to the court system for i	respected adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation, immediately upon benalty imposed by the Commissioner of the Virginia Department officer, I understand the money penalty does not apply to me but non-reporting of suspected adult abuse, neglect, or exploitation. If the regulatory board, I may also be subject to the appropriate liministrative action or criminal investigation.
I understand that there is no charge when Hotline operates 24-hours per day, 7 days	calling the Hotline number (1-888-83-ADULT) and that the per week, 365 days per year.
I affirm that I have read this statement and ha which apply to me pursuant to the <i>Code of Vi</i>	ive knowledge and understanding of the reporting requirements, <i>irginia</i> , §§ 63.2-1603 through 1610.
L.L. 2004	Signature of Applicant/Employee
July 2004	Date